

man shall file with the City Clerk a statement giving notice of his candidacy for such nomination. Such statement shall be filed not earlier than 60 days nor later than five o'clock p.m. on the third Friday preceding the day hereinafter provided for the primary election, shall be accompanied by payment of a non-refundable filing fee in the amount of five dollars (\$5.00), and shall be substantially in the following form:

'State of North Carolina  
County of Randolph

I, ....., first being duly sworn, say that I am a citizen and resident of the City of Asheboro, County and State aforesaid; that I am a candidate for nomination for the office of ....., to be voted upon at the primary election to be held on the ..... Monday of ....., 19....., and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for nomination at such primary election to said office. I affiliate with the ..... party. (Or, if independent in politics, here so state .....).

(Signature).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by ....., on this ..... day of ....., 19.....

(Signature) .....

(Office).....'

"Sec. 4.2. Posting and Publication of List of Candidates, Notice of Primary. After the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidacy, the City Clerk shall cause to be posted immediately at the City Hall for public inspection, and to be published once in each of the two succeeding calendar weeks in every newspaper published in the city, a list of the candidates as their names are to appear on the ballots for the primary or the regular municipal election, as the case may be. Along with such list there shall be posted and published a notice of the primary if one is required, or a statement that a primary will not be held if one is not required.

"Sec. 4.3. When Primary Required. If more than two candidates file for nomination for the office of Mayor, then a primary election shall be held to nominate two candidates for the office of Mayor in the regular municipal election. If more than six candidates who are affiliated with the majority party file for nomination for the office of Councilman, then a primary election shall be held to nominate six of such candidates for the office of Councilman in the regular municipal election. If more than four candidates who are not affiliated with the majority party file for nomination for the office of Councilman, then a primary election shall be held to nominate four of such candidates for the office of Councilman in the regular municipal election. Otherwise, no primary election shall be held, and the names of all properly filed candidates for any office for which no primary is required shall be placed on the ballots at the regular municipal election. If a primary is held for any office, then the names of the candidates nominated for such office in such primary, and the names of no other candidates for such office, shall appear on the official ballots at the regular municipal election.